



November 2009

## 1 Consumer Price Index (CPI), All Items, 2002 = 100

| Month      | CPI   | Annual Rate of Inflation |                      |
|------------|-------|--------------------------|----------------------|
| Whitehorse |       |                          |                      |
| Nov '09    | 113.9 | -0.6%                    | (Nov '08 to Nov '09) |
| Oct '09    | 113.4 | -1.3%                    | (Oct '08 to Oct '09) |
| Nov '08    | 114.6 | 3.5%                     | (Nov '07 to Nov '08) |
| Canada     |       |                          |                      |
| Nov '09    | 115.2 | 1.0%                     | (Nov '08 to Nov '09) |
| Oct '09    | 114.6 | 0.1%                     | (Oct '08 to Oct '09) |
| Nov '08    | 114.1 | 2.0%                     | (Nov '07 to Nov '08) |

Comparing the month of November 2009 with November 2008, the **annual rate of deflation** in Whitehorse (0.6%) was 1.6 percentage points lower than the **annual rate of inflation** in Canada (1.0%). This is the fifth month in a row Whitehorse has experienced deflation when compared to the same month in 2008.

**Annual** decreases for Whitehorse in November were in electricity, purchase and leasing of passenger vehicles, and fuel oil and other fuels. Offsetting some of these **annual** decreases were increases in rent, pet food and supplies, and water (utilities).

On a **monthly** basis, in Whitehorse (figures for the Yukon are not available) overall prices increased 0.4% from October to November 2009.

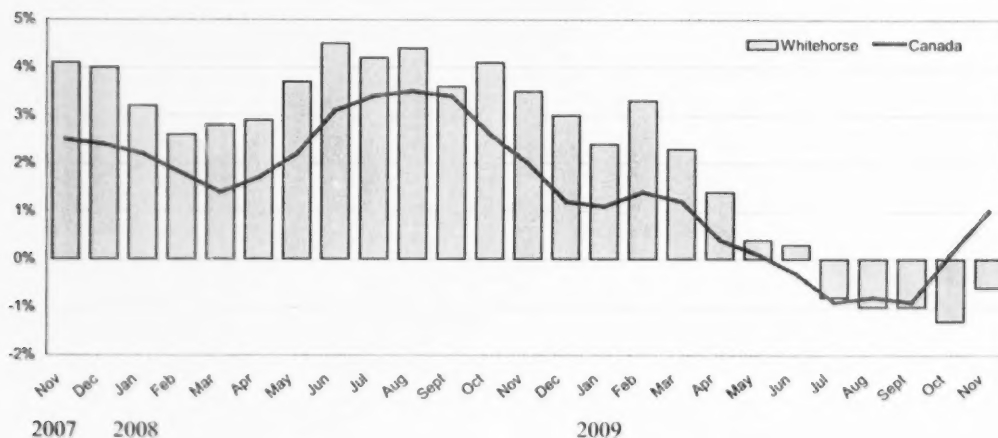
Major **monthly increases** were seen in the following CPI commodities:

- purchase and leasing of passenger vehicles
- fuel oil and other fuels
- personal care supplies and equipment

Some of the major **decreases** partially offsetting **monthly** decreases were:

- inter-city transportation
- home-owners' home and mortgage insurance
- traveller accommodation

### Inflation Rate



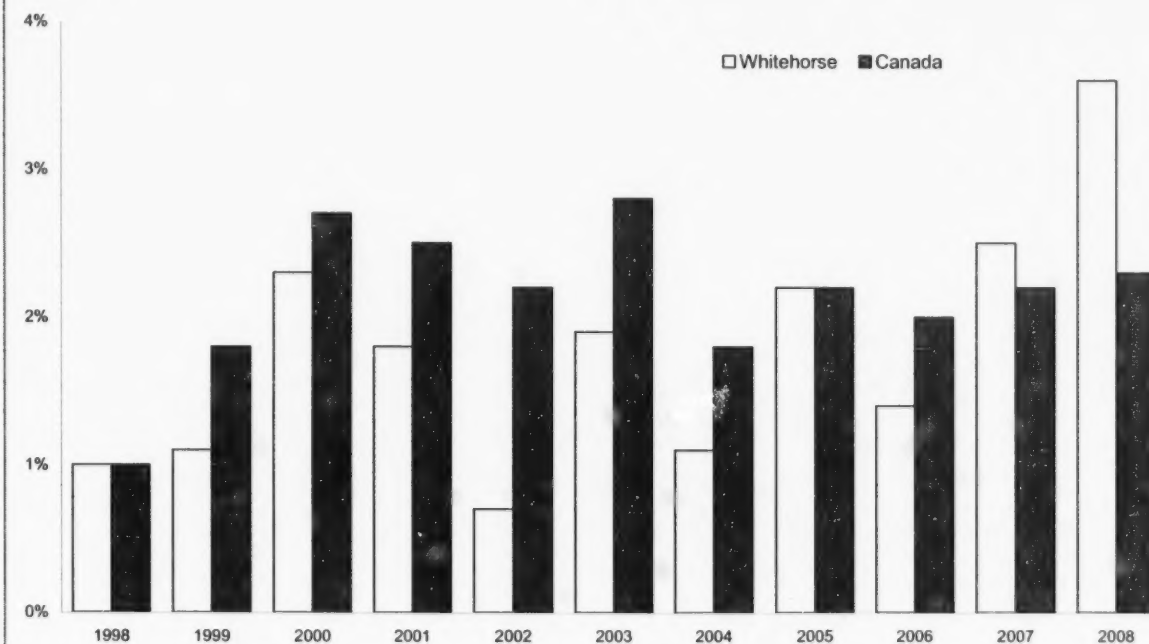
## 2 Consumer Price Index History - Annual Averages

### Whitehorse (2002 = 100)

### Canada (2002 = 100)

| Year | All-Items Index | % Change From Previous Year | Year | All-Items Index | % Change From Previous Year |
|------|-----------------|-----------------------------|------|-----------------|-----------------------------|
| 2008 | 113.4           | 3.6                         | 2008 | 114.1           | 2.3                         |
| 2007 | 109.5           | 2.5                         | 2007 | 111.5           | 2.2                         |
| 2006 | 106.8           | 1.4                         | 2006 | 109.1           | 2.0                         |
| 2005 | 105.3           | 2.2                         | 2005 | 107.0           | 2.2                         |
| 2004 | 103.0           | 1.1                         | 2004 | 104.7           | 1.8                         |
| 2003 | 101.9           | 1.9                         | 2003 | 102.8           | 2.8                         |
| 2002 | 100.0           | 0.7                         | 2002 | 100.0           | 2.2                         |
| 2001 | 99.3            | 1.8                         | 2001 | 97.8            | 2.5                         |
| 2000 | 97.5            | 2.3                         | 2000 | 95.4            | 2.7                         |
| 1999 | 95.3            | 1.1                         | 1999 | 92.9            | 1.8                         |
| 1998 | 94.3            | 1.0                         | 1998 | 91.3            | 1.0                         |

## 3 The Annual Average Rate of Inflation in Whitehorse vs. Canada



#### 4 Consumer Price Index — (All Items, 2002 = 100)

| Index for Whitehorse 2007/'08 |       |       |          | Index for Canada 2007/'08 |       |       |          |
|-------------------------------|-------|-------|----------|---------------------------|-------|-------|----------|
| Month                         | 2007  | 2008  | % Change | Month                     | 2007  | 2008  | % Change |
| Jan                           | 107.0 | 110.4 | 3.2      | Jan                       | 109.4 | 111.8 | 2.2      |
| Feb                           | 107.3 | 110.1 | 2.6      | Feb                       | 110.2 | 112.2 | 1.8      |
| Mar                           | 108.0 | 111.0 | 2.8      | Mar                       | 111.1 | 112.6 | 1.4      |
| Apr                           | 108.7 | 111.8 | 2.9      | Apr                       | 111.6 | 113.5 | 1.7      |
| May                           | 109.5 | 113.6 | 3.7      | May                       | 112.1 | 114.6 | 2.2      |
| Jun                           | 109.7 | 114.6 | 4.5      | Jun                       | 111.9 | 115.4 | 3.1      |
| Jul                           | 110.7 | 115.3 | 4.2      | Jul                       | 112.0 | 115.8 | 3.4      |
| Aug                           | 110.5 | 115.4 | 4.4      | Aug                       | 111.7 | 115.6 | 3.5      |
| Sep                           | 110.8 | 114.8 | 3.6      | Sep                       | 111.9 | 115.7 | 3.4      |
| Oct                           | 110.4 | 114.9 | 4.1      | Oct                       | 111.6 | 114.5 | 2.6      |
| Nov                           | 110.7 | 114.6 | 3.5      | Nov                       | 111.9 | 114.1 | 2.0      |
| Dec                           | 110.6 | 113.9 | 3.0      | Dec                       | 112.0 | 113.3 | 1.2      |
| Year Average                  | 109.5 | 113.4 | 3.6      | Year Average              | 111.5 | 114.1 | 2.3      |

| Index for Whitehorse 2008/'09 |       |       |          | Index for Canada 2008/'09 |       |       |          |
|-------------------------------|-------|-------|----------|---------------------------|-------|-------|----------|
| Month                         | 2008  | 2009  | % Change | Month                     | 2008  | 2009  | % Change |
| Jan                           | 110.4 | 113.0 | 2.4      | Jan                       | 111.8 | 113.0 | 1.1      |
| Feb                           | 110.1 | 113.7 | 3.3      | Feb                       | 112.2 | 113.8 | 1.4      |
| Mar                           | 111.0 | 113.6 | 2.3      | Mar                       | 112.6 | 114.0 | 1.2      |
| Apr                           | 111.8 | 113.4 | 1.4      | Apr                       | 113.5 | 113.9 | 0.4      |
| May                           | 113.6 | 114.0 | 0.4      | May                       | 114.6 | 114.7 | 0.1      |
| Jun                           | 114.6 | 114.9 | 0.3      | Jun                       | 115.4 | 115.1 | -0.3     |
| Jul                           | 115.3 | 114.4 | -0.8     | Jul                       | 115.8 | 114.7 | -0.9     |
| Aug                           | 115.4 | 114.2 | -1.0     | Aug                       | 115.6 | 114.7 | -0.8     |
| Sep                           | 114.8 | 113.7 | -1.0     | Sep                       | 115.7 | 114.7 | -0.9     |
| Oct                           | 114.9 | 113.4 | -1.3     | Oct                       | 114.5 | 114.6 | 0.1      |
| Nov                           | 114.6 | 113.9 | -0.6     | Nov                       | 114.1 | 115.2 | 1.0      |
| Dec                           | 113.9 |       |          | Dec                       | 113.3 |       |          |
| Year Average                  | 113.4 | -     | -        | Year Average              | 114.1 | -     | -        |

# 5 Consumer Price Index for Whitehorse — November 2009

|   | Index        |              |              | % Change                |                         |
|---|--------------|--------------|--------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
|   | Nov.<br>2009 | Oct.<br>2009 | Nov.<br>2008 | Oct. '09<br>to Nov. '09 | Nov. '08<br>to Nov. '09 |
| <b>All-Items</b>                          | <b>113.9</b> | <b>113.4</b> | <b>114.6</b> | <b>0.4</b>              | <b>-0.6</b>             |
| Food                                      | 118.3        | 116.4        | 115.3        | 1.6                     | 2.6                     |
| Shelter                                   | 128.0        | 127.6        | 132.1        | 0.3                     | -3.1                    |
| Household Operations<br>& Furnishings     | 103.2        | 103.2        | 101.1        | 0.0                     | 2.1                     |
| Clothing & Footwear                       | 100.0        | 100.9        | 101.0        | -0.9                    | -1.0                    |
| Transportation                            | 112.7        | 112.6        | 117.0        | 0.1                     | -3.7                    |
| Health & Personal Care                    | 114.1        | 109.2        | 109.5        | 4.5                     | 4.2                     |
| Recreation, Education<br>& Reading        | 94.5         | 95.6         | 93.7         | -1.2                    | 0.9                     |
| Alcoholic Beverages<br>& Tobacco Products | 134.2        | 134.3        | 132.9        | -0.1                    | 1.0                     |
| <b>Special Aggregates</b>                 |              |              |              |                         |                         |
| Energy                                    | 131.2        | 128.7        | 149.6        | 1.9                     | -12.3                   |
| All-Items excluding Energy                | 111.9        | 111.7        | 111.2        | 0.2                     | 0.6                     |

The Consumer Price Index (CPI) is produced on a monthly basis by Statistics Canada. The data used to determine the CPI are collected by survey and the results are released in Statistics Canada's publication, *The Consumer Price Index*, catalogue no. 62-001. The Index is used to determine price change (inflation or deflation) in a given city or province over time. In order to calculate the inflation/deflation rate in an area, an index for two time periods is required. The percentage change in this index from one point in time to the next is known as the 'rate of inflation' (or 'rate of deflation' if there is a decrease).

The current official time base of the Consumer Price Index (CPI) is 2002 = 100.

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